

**WITNESS LIST**  
**118<sup>th</sup> Congress**  
**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Committee on Veterans' Affairs**  
**Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity**

*“H.R. 522, Deliver for Veterans Act; H.R.2830, Veteran Improvement Commercial Driver License Act of 2023; H.R. 3601, Student Veteran Work Study Modernization Act; H.R. 3722, Daniel J. Harvey, Jr. and Adam Lambert Improving Servicemember Transition to Reduce Veteran Suicide Act and the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to it; H.R. 3738, To amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, and for other purposes; H.R. 3816, Veterans’ Entry to Apprenticeship Act; H.R. 5190, Military Family Protection from Debt Act; H.R. 5702, Expanding Access for Online Veteran Students Act; H.R. 5785, To amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the requirements of the Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship; H.R. 5913, Consolidating Veteran Employment Services for Improved Performance Act of 2023; H.R. 5914, To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processes to approve programs of education for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.; H.R. 5956, G.I. Bill Improvement Act; and H.R.XXXX, To amend title 38, United States Code, to waive the fee for a housing loan guaranteed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for a veteran with a service-connected disability who applied for such loan before receiving a disability rating from the Secretary.”*

**Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 3:00 PM**  
**360 Cannon House Office Building**

**Panel 1**

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**Panel 2**

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